

**REMARKS**

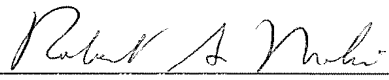
In the Official Action, the Examiner allowed claims 4 and 7-10, and rejected claim 11 on prior art grounds. Although applicants do not necessarily agree with the positions taken by the Examiner, claim 11 has been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer in the sole interest of advancing the prosecution of the present application.

Since all matters raised in the Official Action have been resolved by the instant Amendment, applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the present application.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning the subject application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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